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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6165**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1195

**DATE PREPARED:** Feb 22, 2001

**BILL AMENDED:** Feb 21, 2001

**SUBJECT:** Various election law matters.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X **GENERAL**  
**DEDICATED**  
**FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State & Local

**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) This bill makes the following changes in election law:

- (1) Provides that a person is not disqualified from serving as a precinct election official because the person is related to a candidate in that precinct, if the candidate is unopposed.
- (2) Establishes deadlines for candidate challenges.
- (3) Specifies when a candidate's committee statement of organization is to be filed.
- (4) Specifies that write-in candidates are required to file all campaign finance reports.
- (5) Revises language regarding ballot card colors.
- (6) Resolves a conflict in statutes regarding public access to election materials.
- (7) Requires an individual registering to vote to provide the last four digits of the individual's Social Security Number, the individual's driver's license number, or the individual's state issued identification card number. Requires precinct election officials to request of each voter at the polls the voter's Social Security Number, the voter's driver's license number, or the voter's state issued identification card number. Provides that a voter is not required to provide any of these identification numbers at the polls.
- (8) Makes technical changes. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the census data advisory committee.)

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2001.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** (Revised) (7) Currently the voter registration form requests the Social Security number of an individual as allowed under the federal Privacy Act of 1974 (U.S.C. 552a). A space is provided on the voter registration form for this information.

This bill requires an applicant to provide their voter identification number (either the last four digits of the applicant's Social Security number, the individual's driver's license number, or the individual's state issued identification card number) on a voter registration form. This provision will require a change in the current form. The cost of changing and printing the form can be done within the current budget.

(1) - (6), (8). No fiscal impact.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** (Revised) (2), (5), and (8) apply to a county election and have no fiscal impact to the County Election Board.

(7) As amended, the County Election Board would have to update the voter poll list sheet, to include a column for the voter identification number. The cost of changing and printing the form can be done within the current budget of counties.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Indiana Election Commission; Election Division of the Secretary of State's Office.

**Local Agencies Affected:** County election board.

**Information Sources:**